

NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 203

Introduced by Erdman, 47;

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Committee:

PURPOSE: To review the ability of counties having a population of less than one thousand inhabitants to provide services required under state law.

Counties in rural Nebraska have faced extraordinary financial circumstances in regards to their ability to afford basic services necessary for their residents.

The study shall include a comprehensive review of legislative mandates on small counties which place an undue burden on them to provide basic services. Input should be gathered from all counties having a population of less than one thousand inhabitants to determine similarities between those counties and what potential remedies may be available to them under existing law.

The study shall also include recommendations for changes in state law to allow for remedies for these counties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an

interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.